

Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI

Make the flies flee.

What's your score on flies?

A slap on the wrist is worth two on the face.

All the signs point to a skyful of flying machines before long.

Paper money may be made smaller, in which case it will be just as hard to get.

Even the Kaiser can't call students "boonefighters" and get away with the remark.

A Frenchman has been killed in a duel. Accidents will happen, even in a French duel.

If school children are opposed to the firecracker that leaves only the dealer as its friend.

Thousands of Albanian Turks are up in arms shouting for old Abdul to come back. There's no pleasing some people.

A Brussels surgeon wants \$20,000 for an operation on King Leopold. Considering the results, is it worth the money?

Lord Kitchener, universally reputed to be a woman hater, surrendered to the American girl. His last words on sailing were in her praise.

The West Point cadets condemned to walk out their punishment for having will be prepared for endurance tests in the regular service.

Students of bird life who trudge through the parks before breakfast should note that the birds generally bring their lunches to class.

However, lemonade colored with poisonous dyes and ice cream stiffened with gum arabic are not properly parts of a perfectly sane Fourth.

If an aviator gets \$50,000 for a trip of 186 miles, at the same rate he could earn some such a trifle as \$51,360,000 by flying to the moon.

Crop reports are so favorable that the man with the hoe is expected to tickle the soil this year for a total of eight billion or nine billion dollars.

Darkest spots in darkest Africa are about to be united to the world by wireless. The colonel completed his restful and exclusive hunt just in time.

Again the joy rider has left death and sorrow behind him, and if he is ever caught he may be severely scolded, if not, indeed, fined at least \$10 and costs.

"London wants New York's gold," the financial report says. And London is likely to get it, if the annual migration does not undergo an unusual shrinkage.

Birmingham, England, with a population of 500,000, has only six fire engines, and the fire loss there last year was \$222,000. They do not build fire traps in Birmingham.

A Boston man claims to have bred a blue rabbit. Other gentlemen have announced green, pink and purple ones, but have not made much demand for scientific recognition.

The tidings brought to Seattle, by a barkentine, that cannibalism has been revived in several of the groups of islands in the South Seas, are to be received with doubt. There is nothing to show why there should be a sudden resumption of old-time religious practices, and the pressure of civilization in the South Seas is growing heavier, year by year. This barkentine brings a story of the eating of two missionaries by pagan natives on Savage Island. It should be easy to investigate this.

Another cargo of 1,500 carcasses of mutton has arrived at Philadelphia from Australia by way of England. The meat will be sold to Philadelphia dealers, who promptly disposed of the first cargo. If the trade can be made profitable by indirect shipment, it ought to be far more so when the opening of the Panama canal cuts down the distance to the antipodes and establishes direct trade. Then the importation of Australian beef and mutton may keep meats within reasonable range.

The practical jokers in Panama who thought it would be very funny to start reports of a coming earthquake in that place, and who are said to have scared at least one person to death by these reports, belong to a class with which, unfortunately, the law cannot deal according to their deserts. Considering the trouble they have caused, there seems no good reason why these practical jokers should not be classed with criminals and a penalty provided for their distorted and dangerous sense of humor.

Abdul Hamid, ex-sultan of Turkey, as \$3,000,000 on deposit in a German bank, which the Turkish government is trying to get. But the bank refuses to honor an order signed by Abdul, alleging that the order was issued under compulsion. The courts sustain the bank, and there the matter stands for the present. It seems to be a case where the ex-sovereign can neither get the money himself nor transfer it to any one else. But the rickety fact is the manner in which the money was "soaked away" while the sultans were good.

An expert says oysters may be kept in cold storage for ten years and still be good. We have encountered others that seemed to have been kept some kind of storage for ten years, but they did not bear out the expert's story.

A watchful United States consul reports that the European nations have between them 32 dirigibles and 29 airplanes. He says they are supposed to be available for service, but they would prove to be only things.

ALTON MAN SHORT; CONFESSES GUILT

A. E. BASSETT, CASHIER AND CHURCH WORKER, CAUGHT BY AN ACCIDENT.

HELD POST MANY YEARS

Turns Property Over to Illinois Glass Company—Books Were Not Audited for Six Years—Official Under Parole.

Alton, Ill.—Albert E. Bassett, cashier of the Illinois Glass company, and one of the respected citizens of the city, has confessed to a shortage of \$24,000 in his accounts after the discovery of his peculations by R. H. Lewis, treasurer of the concern, which is one of the largest manufacturers of bottles in the country. Bassett has not been arrested, having promised restitution of the money to the company, but is virtually on parole in his home at Alton, having agreed to notify his superiors of every move he makes. He is said to be on the verge of mental and physical breakdown and suffering keenly.

Bassett was implicitly trusted by officers of the firm, and this made it comparatively easy for him to take money and falsify his books. Part of the money he is believed to have given to church and benevolent purposes, not having been a speculator or gambler as far as is known. He led a quiet life, and had a standing order to have a public-spirited citizen of upright conduct. He is 45 years old.

Bassett was cashier of the Illinois Glass company for 25 years, and had charge of all its finances. He had the power to draw checks and pay all bills, as well as to make up the \$50,000 payroll every two weeks. His books have not been audited for six years.

Shortage May Grow.

R. H. Lewis stated that the shortage so far amounted to \$24,000, but he could not say how much more they would find. They came upon the shortage last Friday by accident, and made the investigation immediately.

Bassett states that he appropriated the money on different occasions in amounts of \$200 and \$300. He has many business connections, having recently been made president of the Lesser Magneto Railway company, backed by Paul Lesser of Chicago. He is said to have invested considerable money in this corporation.

Bassett has been one of the great church workers in Alton, having made the anti-Sunday saloon crusade against the mayor and led in the Plaza Chautauque movement last summer. He was one of the trustees of the First Baptist church and was elected dean of the church last January. He was a member of the board of health and presiding officer of the Western Star lodge of Odd Fellows; president of the Citizens' Building and Loan association and noble grand of the Knights of Pythias. He has resigned from all these organizations.

BLACK HAND SUSPECTED

Police Working on Fifth Calamity Which Has Befallen the Viviano Family.

St. Louis, Missouri.—Policemen are trying to fix the responsibility for a \$10,000 fire at the plant of the S. Viviano & Bros. Macaroni Manufacturing company, the fifth calamity that has befallen the family, due, the police think, to the anger of the Black Hand. Had it not been for Jip, a brindled bulldog, the plant would have been destroyed, says Fire Chief Swingley. Nightwatchman Hipier, passing, heard Jip whining, and found the animal imprisoned under a heavy tarpaulin. The building led him to the third floor, where he found the staircase ablaze. Subsequent investigation showed there were no electric wires and no steam pipes nearby, and the fire therefore is believed to have been incendiary.

HARDWOOD FAMINE SEEN

Reforestation Plan and Exemption From Taxation Suggested at the Louisville Meeting.

Louisville, Kentucky.—A hardwood famine as the result of the reckless waste of timber by lumbermen in the United States is predicted in the report of J. H. Stinson of Indiana, submitted to the National Hardwood Lumber association in annual session. His report suggests reforestation and exemption from taxation of holdings of standing hardwood timbers as remedies. The report had not been acted on.

Fourth Infantry in U. S. Again.

San Francisco, Cal.—The army transport Sherman from Manila, the Fourth Infantry on board, arrived here. The regiment, which has been on the island for two years, will be sent to Arkansas and Nebraska posts.

Death Sentence Affirmed.

London.—Official advices from Cairo, Egypt, state that the court of cassation there affirmed the sentence of death imposed on the student Wardani, who shot and killed Boutros Pacha Ghal.

Mexican Rioting Is Quelled.

Washington, D. C.—Minister of Foreign Affairs Enrique Cuel of Mexico has telegraphed to Mexican Ambassador de la Barra here that the Indian uprising in Yucatan has been subdued by state and federal troops.

Record Cargo of Lumber.

Portland, Ore.—Carrying what is said to be the largest cargo of lumber ever floated the British ship Knight of the Garter sailed from Portland for China ports with 5,023,630 feet of lumber aboard.



PULITZER, ILL., IS HASTENING HOME

AMERICAN PUBLISHER TAKEN FROM DOVER TO LIVERPOOL.

Son Accompanies Him on Hurdled Journey to New York—Aboard the Mauretania.

Liverpool, Eng.—Joseph Pulitzer, the American publisher, arrived here on a special train seriously ill. He is hurrying to New York. Mr. Pulitzer's attendants had arranged for the special train at Dover in order to catch the Mauretania bound for New York.

His health has been bad for some time and looked extremely ill as he was taken aboard the Mauretania. His anxiety to reach New York as quickly as possible is taken as an indication that he himself believes the time is approaching when he should set his house in order.

He is accompanied by one of his sons.

SEEKS HIS EASTERN HOME

Batavia (N. Y.) Man Surprised to Learn He Is in St. Louis—Knows Nothing of Journey.

St. Louis, Mo.—A man who said he was Fred Miller, a carpenter of Batavia, N. Y., walked into police headquarters and told Sgt. Conlon he found himself in strange surroundings and could not find his way home. He was surprised to learn he was in St. Louis.

He told the sergeant he did not remember leaving Batavia and does not know how he got to St. Louis. Sgt. Conlon says the man seemed rational, clean and neat, and was not intoxicated. He locked him up and wired the chief of police of Batavia asking whether such a man was missing from his home.

Rich Man's Son Burglar.

Pinchot Speaks in St. Paul. St. Paul, Minnesota.—Gifford Pinchot, the former chief forester of the United States, and James R. Garfield, former secretary of the interior, are here to attend the conservation banquet of the Roosevelt club of St. Paul.

DENVER TIMES IS SOLD

Former Senator Patterson Gets Quarter Million—Burdens of Two Papers Too Heavy.

Denver, Colorado.—Final arrangements for the sale of the Denver Times by former United States Senator T. M. Patterson to Jared H. Huston, a real estate man, have been concluded, and the transfer will be made July 1.

Mr. Patterson said of the sale: "I found the burden of looking after two newspapers too great for me, and when my price was offered me for the Times, I decided to sell and will retain the News."

The funeral for the lost crew will be \$250,000.

Mormons Enrolled in M. S. U.

Columbia, Missouri.—The summer session of the University of Missouri has opened. Several persons who enrolled, in answering the usual questions asked of prospective students, gave the "Latter-Day Saints" or Mormon as the church to which they belonged. No Mormon ever before enrolled at the University of Missouri.

Wellman Quits Pole Hunt.

New York.—Walter Wellman arrived here on the French liner Savote. He said he had given up his attempts to reach the north pole, but was going to take a few less arduous voyages in a dirigible balloon.

Express Companies to Resist.

Topeka, Kan.—Judge W. R. Smith, counsel for the various express companies, announced that the companies would resist the wholesale reduction of rates ordered recently by the railroad board of Kansas.

Judge Harris Drowns in River.

Tiptonville, Tenn.—Judge Harris of this city, whose life is said several times to have been sought by the night riders, was drowned while swimming in the Mississippi river near here Saturday.

45 Jewish Families Expelled.

Kiev.—Forty-five Jewish families were expelled from Kiev. Of this number 29 families were forced to leave the city without preparation. Others were given three days to arrange for their departure.

CHUMS.

RACES FOR THE PENNANTS

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
Chicago	24	15	.615
New York	23	17	.577
Cincinnati	22	19	.538
Pittsburgh	21	20	.512
St. Louis	20	24	.457
Brooklyn	20	25	.444
Philadelphia	17	24	.415
Boston	17	25	.396

Club	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	28	14	.667
Philadelphia	28	14	.667
Detroit	31	18	.635
Boston	31	21	.595
Cleveland	17	20	.459
Washington	21	26	.390
Chicago	15	26	.366
St. Louis	9	33	.214

QUAKE TREMORS KEEP ITALIANS IN A PANIC

Thousands Sleep in the Open Through Fear of Death Under Damaged Buildings.

Naples, Italy.—Fresh tremors in Italy's earthquake-stricken district threw the population into a panic as serious as that occasioned by the first shocks. At Avellino, King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena, who insisted on joining him in the tour of the affected territory, appeared before the people in an effort to check their fright.

Not even the royalties, however, could reassure the terrified. Fully a million people slept out of doors, and when day came, refused to venture into their homes again even for cooking. Camps have been pitched around towns. Army tents are in demand.

MILLIONAIRE'S WIFE FINED

Mrs. Charles W. Allen of Wisconsin Pleads Guilty to Charge of Smuggling and Is Assessed \$100.

New York City.—Mrs. Charles W. Allen of Kenosha, Wis., pleaded guilty in the United States circuit court to an indictment charging her with smuggling. She was fined \$100. Her husband is a millionaire leather manufacturer.

Arkansas Democrats Launch Ticket.

Little Rock, Arkansas.—The Democratic state ticket selected at the primaries was launched at the convention here without a hitch. Gov. George W. Donaghy was nominated for re-election. Other nominations made are: Attorney general, H. L. Norwood; secretary of state, Earle W. Hodges; treasurer, John W. Crockett; associate justice of supreme court, W. F. Kirby; auditor, John R. Jobe; land commissioner, R. G. Dyer; agricultural commissioner, Fred H. Phillips.

Had to Eat His Words. Sues.

Russellville, Alabama.—R. L. Page, Jr., of Red Bay has brought suit for \$10,000 damages against C. W. Weir et al of Quitman, Miss. Page alleges that he was editor of the Quitman Globe, and that when he published an account of a dance in the city several citizens called upon him, clipped the article from the paper and forced him to swallow it. He alleges they then made him leave town.

Maj. Morse Goes to Illinois University.

Washington, D. C.—Major Benjamin C. Morse of the Twenty-second infantry, U. S. A., has been detailed as professor of military science and tactics at the University of Illinois at Urbana. He will succeed Lieut. Col. E. G. Peck, retired, who is relieved of duty at the university at his own request. Maj. Morse has been instructed to report to the president of the university September 1 next.

Timber Fire in Colorado.

Fort Collins, Colorado.—News of a large timber fire 55 miles west of here was telephoned by the timber guard stationed in that section.

Cudahy Files a Mortgage.

New York City.—The Cudahy Packing company has mortgaged for \$5,000,000 to the Illinois Trust and Savings bank and William H. Heald of Chicago its property in New York city and in the southwest to secure a five per cent gold bond issue. It is dated May 1 and has 25 years to run.

Crum Named Minister to Liberia.

Washington, D. C.—President Taft has nominated William D. Crum of South Carolina to be minister resident and consul general at Monrovia, Liberia. Crum is the negro whose appointment by Mr. Roosevelt as collector of the port at Charleston, S. C., raised such a storm of protest in the South.

Miners Return to Work.

Scranton, Pa.—The 12,000 miners of the Pennsylvania Coal company have returned to work.

LONE BANDIT ROBS TOURIST SLEEPER

DRIVES PASSENGERS INTO THE PRIVATE CAR OF A ROAD OFFICIAL.

VALUABLES ARE ALL TAKEN

Forced Victims to Pile Cash and Valuables in One Heap, Then Shoots Out the Rear Lights on the Car.

El Paso, Texas.—Eastbound passenger train No. 2 of the El Paso & Southwestern railroad has been held up by a lone bandit. He herded the occupants of the tourist sleeper into a private car attached to the rear of the train, compelled them to deposit their money and valuables in a heap and escaped with the plunder across the desert toward the mountains. Rough estimates place the value of his haul at several thousand dollars.

The hold-up occurred one mile east of Robstart, N. M., near Corriozzo. At this point, the robber, who had boarded the train at Corriozzo, covered the Pullman conductor and brakeman with his gun, compelling them to stop the train.

Driving the men before him, he entered the sleeping car, awakened the occupants with a command to gather their valuables and proceed to the private car of Superintendent G. F. Hawks in the rear.

No Passenger Escaped.

One by one the half-dressed passengers were covered by the robber's gun as they clambered from their berths. Taking his time, and exhibiting remarkable coolness, the bandit carefully took an inventory of what each bore in his upturned hands.

The job was thorough, not a passenger escaping, and not one being able to keep anything of value. When all the berths were emptied, the bandit drove his victims into the private car, where all, including Superintendent Hawks, were told to place their property in a pile on the floor.

Shoots Out Rear Lights.

Still covering the crowd with his gun, he swept the plunder into a sack and backed out of the car. As he departed he shot out the rear lights of the train, firing four times. Passengers are in pursuit of the robber, in the hope of intercepting him before he can cross the desert to the mountains, toward which he is headed.

The passengers, who have been left destitute for the time being, are being cared for by the railroad company.

OKLAHOMA'S 2-CENT FARES ARE ENJOINED

United States Court of Appeals Issues Order for Frisco and Rock Island.

Guthrie, Oklahoma.—The lines of the Rock Island and Frisco in Oklahoma, comprising together, approximately, one-half of the 6,000 miles of track in the state, passed from under the 2-cent passenger fare and state freight rates by an order of Judge F. C. Hood of the United States circuit court of appeals, transmitted here to Circuit Clerk Harry L. Finley, granting the railroad temporary injunctions against the Oklahoma rates. The roads will re-establish the 2-cent rate in a few days. The Rock Island and Frisco systems filed suits after the Santa Fe and Katy had won their temporary injunctions.

The Santa Fe, Frisco, Rock Island, Missouri, Kansas & Texas, Midland Valley and the Kansas City Southern have obtained temporary injunctions, the Iron Mountain has an application for such an injunction pending with Judge Hook. The lesser roads, such as the Wichita Falls & Northwestern, the K. C. M. & O., the M. O. & G., the Oklahoma Central, the Fort Smith & Western, the C. O. & G., have been exempted from the 2-cent passenger rate by the state corporation commission.

Josephine Sets Milk Record.

Columbia, Missouri.—The world's record for milk production has been broken by Missouri Chief Josephine, the prize cow of the College of Agriculture. In the four months' contest just closed the total exceeds the world's record 10 per cent. Chief Josephine gave 11,536 pounds of milk in the four months. The production averaged 96.4 pounds a day for the 120 days. The cow that previously held the record was Colantha Fourth Johann. The great amount of milk that Josephine gives can be appreciated when it is said that it is twice as much in a month as the average cow gives in a year.

Presbyterian Clergyman Dead.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The Rev. Charles A. Dickey, one of the best known Presbyterian clergymen in the United States, formerly moderator of the general assembly, died at the Presbyterian hospital here.

G. A. R. Tables Anti-Lee Resolution.

Harrisburg, Pa.—A resolution condemning the placing of a statue of Robert E. Lee in the national capitol was tabled at the closing session of the Pennsylvania G. A. R. encampment here.

Timber Fire in Colorado.

Fort Collins, Colorado.—News of a large timber fire 55 miles west of San Francisco, Cal.—Leaving nothing to indicate his reason for ending his life, Charles E. Paxton, stock broker and clubman of this city, committed suicide.

Clubman Kills Himself.

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MISSOURI NEWS

Baptist Laymen to Meet.

Montgomery.—A laymen's conference under the auspices of the Baptist church is called to meet in Louisiana, June 26 and 27. It embraces the entire northeast Missouri territory. Rev. M. D. Eubank, who for two years has been conducting meetings throughout the United States, will attend the conference. President John Milton of Hardin, chairman of the committee on laymen's work in Missouri, will be on the program. Dr. J. C. Armstrong, corresponding secretary for home and foreign missions, and E. W. Stephens of Columbia, Mo., moderator of the Missouri Baptist General association, are among the other speakers expected to attend. Arrangements are being made to give 400 delegates free entertainment.

State Commission Is Busy.

Jefferson City.—All of the railroads in Missouri have been cited to appear before the Missouri railroad commission at a hearing to begin July 6 in Jefferson City, to show cause why all freight rates, both commodity and class, should not be reduced approximately 15 per cent all around. On account of its importance to both the people and the roads the hearing will likely be continued for a number of days. It is expected that all three of the members of the railroad commission will be in Jefferson City at the same time, an occurrence that is unusual unless the legislature is in session.

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Eleberry Plant Successful.

Montgomery.—The various towns in Missouri, which have been struggling with the problem of municipal ownership, will bear with interest the experience of Eleberry, over the line in Lincoln county. One year ago the city built a lighting plant and has it in splendid condition. The report of May shows that \$410.26 was collected with \$32.22 outstanding. The expenditures have been: For material, \$178.45, for fuel \$86.23, for salaries, \$80, leaving a balance in the treasury for the month of \$92.57. The service given is good.

Orphans for Centralia.

New York.—Eleven little travelers took a boat for Weehawken beginning a 1,500-mile journey. They are wards of the Children's Aid society, destined for Centralia, Mo., where they will meet the foster parents who are to rear them as members of their families. There are eight boys and three girls, and their ages range from 10 months to 15 years, most of them, however, are about 5 years old.

University Employee Electrocutted.

Columbia.—Stanford Vandiver, a helper in the University of Missouri power house, was killed by an electric shock while cleaning out the scotpit of the furnace. Vandiver had crawled into the furnace, taking an electric light on an extension wire with him. Lying at the entrance of the pit raking the soot toward him he formed a circuit.

Wright Brothers to Fly at Fair.

Jefferson City.—Arrangements were completed here by Governor Hadley and the board of managers of the state fair, with Wright brothers for aeroplane exhibitions every day during the state fair. It is understood that the Wright brothers are to be paid \$10,000 for daily exhibitions. The fair is held at Sedalia, October 1 to 7.

Confederate Reunion Planned.

Auxvasse.—President Coolidge called the confederate soldiers to this city to arrange for their annual reunion, which will be held at the Auxvasse club, near here, August 10 and 11. Confederates from the following counties will take part in this reunion: Audrain, Cole, Boone, Montgomery and Pike.

Murder Jury Fails to Agree.

Chillicothe.—After being out for 35 hours the jury which heard the evidence in the Jord Williams murder case, failed to reach a verdict and was discharged by Judge A. B. Davis. Williams was on trial for the murder of Guy Curry, in February.

Postal Clerks Meet at Nevada.

Nevada.—The state postoffice clerks annual convention was held here with delegates from thirty-two cities present. Postmaster Neff and S. A. Wright welcomed the visitors and Congressman Borland delivered an address.

\$65,000 for Brookfield P. O.

Washington, D. C.—Among the bills showing appropriations for public buildings recommended for passage by the senate committee on public buildings was one appropriating \$65,000 for a building at Brookfield, Mo.

One Hundred Dentists Take Quiz.

Jefferson City.—The state dental board conducted examinations for about 100 applicants in the senate chamber at the capitol building. This is one of the largest classes of dentists ever before the board for license.

Advance Slayer Arrested.

Advance.—Marion Hedge, who shot and killed James Chromier four miles east of Advance, was arrested here. He made an attempt to escape. He was released on a bond of \$10,000.

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For Proper Care of Tuberculosis.

According to the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, New York state leads in the number of beds for consumptives provided up to May 1, with 5,476 beds; Massachusetts is second, with 2,403 beds; Pennsylvania third, with 2,347 beds; Colorado fourth, with 1,489 beds, and New Mexico fifth, with 1,104 beds. As yet, not one state in the country has made adequate provision for its consumptives. New York has set itself the task of having "No uncare for Tuberculosis in 1915," and several cities in other parts of the country have adopted similar programs. The national association says that tuberculosis will not be stamped out until all cases of this disease are cared for either in their homes or in institutions. With this end in view, efforts will be made to increase the number of hospital beds in this country to at least 35,000 by May 1, 1915.